

FINITENESS OBSTRUCTIONS FOR HOMOLOGICALLY NILPOTENT SPACES**Robert OLIVER***Matematisk Institut, Ny Munkegade, Aarhus Universitet, 8000 Aarhus C, Denmark*

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The Wall finiteness obstruction $w(X)$, when X is any finitely dominated homologically nilpotent complex with finite fundamental group, is shown to lie in the kernel class group $D(\mathbb{Z}[\pi_1(X)]) \subseteq \tilde{K}_0(\mathbb{Z}[\pi_1(X)])$.

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A topological space X is called *homologically nilpotent* if the homology groups $H_i(\tilde{X})$ (\tilde{X} the universal cover) all are nilpotent as $\mathbb{Z}[\pi_1(X)]$ -modules. Here, a $\mathbb{Z}[G]$ -module M is called nilpotent if there is a filtration $0 = M_0 \subseteq M_1 \subseteq \cdots \subseteq M_k = M$ by submodules, such that G acts trivially on each quotient M_i/M_{i-1} . Mislin and Varadarajan [3] showed that if X is a finitely dominated (homologically) nilpotent space, and if $\pi_1(X)$ is a finite nilpotent group, then the finiteness obstruction $w(X) \in \tilde{K}_0(\mathbb{Z}[\pi_1(X)])$ actually lies in the subgroup $D(\mathbb{Z}[\pi_1(X)])$. The main result here is to extend this result to the case of an arbitrary finite fundamental group.

For any finite group G , $D(\mathbb{Z}G)$ is defined as the kernel

$$D(\mathbb{Z}G) = \text{Ker}[\tilde{K}_0(\mathbb{Z}G) \rightarrow \tilde{K}_0(\mathfrak{M})],$$

when $\mathfrak{M} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}G$ is any maximal order containing $\mathbb{Z}G$. Being a maximal order, \mathfrak{M} has the property that any finitely generated torsion free \mathfrak{M} -module is projective [4, Corollary 21.15]. In particular, if M is any finitely generated \mathfrak{M} -module, then there is a short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow P_1 \rightarrow P_2 \rightarrow T \rightarrow 0$$

of \mathfrak{M} -modules, where P_1 and P_2 are finitely generated and projective. This allows the definition of an element

$$[M] = [P_2] - [P_1] \in K_0(\mathfrak{M})$$

which is independent of the choice of resolution.

Lemma 1. Fix a group G , let $\mathfrak{M} \supseteq \mathbb{Z}G$ be a maximal order in $\mathbb{Q}G$, and let $\alpha: \tilde{K}_0(\mathbb{Z}G) \rightarrow \tilde{K}_0(\mathfrak{M})$ be the induced homomorphism. Then, for any finitely dominated CW complex X with fundamental group G and finiteness obstruction $w(X) \in \tilde{K}_0(\mathbb{Z}G)$, $H_*(X; \mathfrak{M})$ is finitely generated and

$$\alpha(w(X)) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-1)^i [H_i(X; \mathfrak{M})] \in \tilde{K}_0(\mathfrak{M}).$$

Proof. Let $C_*(\tilde{X})$ denote the cellular chain complex for the universal covering space \tilde{X} of X . By [6, Theorem F], there is a finitely generated projective $\mathbb{Z}G$ -chain complex P_* which is $\mathbb{Z}G$ -chain homotopy equivalent to $C_*(\tilde{X})$, and such that

$$w(X) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-1)^i [P_i] \in K_0(\mathbb{Z}G).$$

Hence $H_*(X; \mathfrak{M}) \cong H_*(\mathfrak{M} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}G} P_*)$ is finitely generated, and

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha(w(X)) &= \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-1)^i [\mathfrak{M} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}G} P_i] = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-1)^i [H_i(\mathfrak{M} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}G} P_*)] \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-1)^i [H_i(\mathfrak{M} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}G} C_*(\tilde{X}))] \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-1)^i [H_i(X; \mathfrak{M})] \in \tilde{K}_0(\mathfrak{M}). \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

The next lemma will be useful when studying the groups $(H_*(X; \mathfrak{M}))$ of Lemma 1.

Lemma 2. Let X be a homologically nilpotent space with finite fundamental group G . Fix a (right) $\mathbb{Z}G$ -module M and a normal subgroup $H \triangleleft G$ such that $\sum_{h \in H} xh = 0$ for all $x \in M$ (note that this holds if $M^H = 0$). Then, for each $i \geq 0$, $H_i(X; M)$ is a torsion group, and has p -power torsion only for primes $p \mid |H|$. In particular, if $H_1, H_2 \triangleleft G$ are two subgroups of relatively prime order and $M^{H_1} = M^{H_2} = 0$, then $H_*(X; M) = 0$.

Proof. Set $\sigma = \sum_{h \in H} h \in \mathbb{Z}G$, and $n = |H|$. Fix $j \geq 0$, and let

$$0 = N_0 \subseteq N_1 \subseteq \cdots \subseteq N_k = H_j(\tilde{X})$$

(\tilde{X} the universal cover of X) be $\mathbb{Z}G$ -submodules such that the G -action N_i/N_{i-1} is trivial for all $1 \leq i \leq k$. Then $(n - \sigma)N_i \subseteq N_{i-1}$ for all i , so that

$$(n - \sigma)^k H_j(\tilde{X}) = (n^k - n^{k-1}\sigma) H_j(\tilde{X}) = 0. \quad (1)$$

Now let F_* be a free $\mathbb{Z}G$ -resolution of $H_j(\tilde{X})$. Using (1), we see that

$$n^{k-1}(n - \sigma): F_* \rightarrow F_*$$

is chain homotopic to zero. Since $M\sigma = 0$ by hypothesis,

$$n^k = n^{k-1}(n - \sigma) \otimes \text{id} = \text{id} \times n^{k-1}(n - \sigma) \simeq 0: M \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}G} F_* \rightarrow M \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}G} F_*.$$

Hence, for all i ,

$$n^k \cdot \text{Tor}_i(M, H_j(\tilde{X})) = n^k \cdot H_i(M \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}G} F_*) = 0. \quad (2)$$

Consider the spectral sequence

$$E_{ij}^2 = \text{Tor}_i(M, H_j(\tilde{X})) \Rightarrow H_*(X; M).$$

This can be derived, for example, from the double complex whose j th row is $M \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}G} PR_*(C_j(\tilde{X}))$, where $C_*(\tilde{X})$ is the cellular (or singular) chain complex, and PR_* is some functor assigning a projective resolution to each $\mathbb{Z}G$ -module (and preserving exact sequences). By (2), each E_{ij}^2 is a torsion group, having p -power torsion only for primes $p \mid |H|$. The same statement then holds for each E_{ij}^∞ and each $H_i(X; M)$; and this proves the lemma. \square

One more lemma is needed. The following is well known, and proven in [3], but not stated explicitly there.

Lemma 3. Fix a prime p . For each $n \geq 0$, set $\xi_n = \exp(2\pi i/p^n) \in \mathbb{C}$.

(i) If G is a p -group, and A is a simple summand of $\mathbb{Q}G$, then

(a) if p is odd, $A \cong M_r(\mathbb{Q}(\xi_n))$ for some $r \geq 1$ and some $n \geq 0$,

(b) if $p = 2$, $A \cong M_r(D)$, where $r \geq 1$, and for some n , $D \subseteq \mathbb{Q}(\xi_n)$ or $D \cong \mathbb{Q}(\xi_n, j) (\subseteq H)$.

(ii) Fix a finite dimensional simple \mathbb{Q} -algebra A , and a maximal \mathbb{Z} -order $\mathfrak{M} \subseteq A$. Assume that for some $r \geq 1$ and some n , either $A \cong M_r(F)$ for some subfield $F \subseteq \mathbb{Q}(\xi_n)$, or $p = 2$ and $A \cong M_r(\mathbb{Q}(\xi_n, j))$. Then, for any finite \mathfrak{M} -module T of p -power order, $[T] = 0 \in K_0(\mathfrak{M})$.

Proof. (i) In [5, Section 2], Roquette shows that the division algebra for any irreducible $\mathbb{Q}G$ -representation M is isomorphic to the division algebra of a primitive faithful representation of some subquotient of G . In [5, Section 3], he shows that the only p -groups with primitive faithful representations are the cyclic groups; and, if $p = 2$, the dihedral, semidihedral, and quaternionic groups.

(ii) Write $A \cong M_r(D)$, where $D \subseteq \mathbb{Q}(\xi_n)$ or $D \cong \mathbb{Q}(\xi_n, j)$. Any maximal order in A is Morita equivalent to any maximal order in D [4, Corollary 21.17], and Morita equivalences send modules of p -power order to modules of p -power order. So it suffices to prove this when $\mathfrak{M} \subseteq A = D$. It clearly suffices to consider irreducible \mathfrak{M} -modules; i.e., modules of the form \mathfrak{M}/I where I is a maximal left ideal.

If $D \subseteq \mathbb{Q}(\xi_n)$, then $(1 - \xi_n) \subseteq \mathbb{Z}[\xi_n]$ is the unique maximal ideal of p -power index, and $N_{\mathbb{Q}(\xi_n)/\mathbb{Q}}(1 - \xi_n)$ generates the unique maximal ideal of p -power index in \mathfrak{M} . If $D = \mathbb{Q}(\xi_n, j)$, then there is a unique maximal 2-sided ideal $J \subseteq \mathfrak{M}$ of 2-power index [4, Theorem 22.4], and \mathfrak{M}/J is simple by [4, Theorem 22.3]. Assume \mathfrak{M} is chosen such that $\alpha = 1 - \xi \in \mathfrak{M}$. Then $\mathfrak{M}\alpha$ has index 4 in \mathfrak{M} and is easily seen to be maximal;

$\mathfrak{M}/\mathfrak{M}\alpha$ is thus the unique irreducible \mathfrak{M}/J -module, and the unique irreducible \mathfrak{M} -module of 2-power index. \square

Using the results in [4, Sections 22, 24], Lemma 3(ii) can be extended to include any D containing a maximal subfield $E \subseteq D$, such that $E \subseteq \mathbb{Q}(\xi_n)$ for some n .

The main theorem can now be proven. In the proof, C_n , for any $n \geq 1$, will denote a (multiplicative) cyclic group of order n .

Theorem 4. *For any finitely dominated homologically nilpotent space X with finite fundamental group G , $w(X) \in D(\mathbb{Z}G)$.*

Proof. Let \tilde{X} denote the universal covering space of X . By [2, Theorem 4], $D(\mathbb{Z}G)$ is preserved under induction and restriction maps. Hence, $\tilde{K}_0(\mathbb{Z}G)/D(\mathbb{Z}G)$ is detected by restriction to hyperelementary subgroups of G . For any $H \subseteq G$, the restriction (transfer) map sends $w(X) \in \tilde{K}_0(\mathbb{Z}G)$ to $w(\tilde{X}/H) \in \tilde{K}_0(\mathbb{Z}H)$; and \tilde{X}/H is also homologically nilpotent. So it suffices to prove the theorem when G is hyperelementary.

Fix p such that H is p -hyperelementary. Then $G = H \rtimes \pi$, where π is a p -Sylow subgroup of G , $H \triangleleft G$, H is cyclic, and $p \nmid m = |H|$. For any prime $q \mid m$, H_q denotes the q -Sylow subgroup of H (and G).

Write

$$\mathbb{Q}G = \prod_{s=0}^k A_s,$$

where each A_s is simple, and A_0 has trivial G -action. Let $\mathfrak{M}_s \subseteq A_s$, for all s , be maximal orders such that

$$\mathbb{Z}G \subseteq \mathfrak{M} = \prod_{s=0}^k \mathfrak{M}_s.$$

Recall that $H_*(X; \mathfrak{M})$ is finitely generated by Lemma 1. We will show that for each $1 \leq s \leq k$,

$$\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-1)^i [H_i(X; \mathfrak{M}_s)] = 0 \in K_0(\mathfrak{M}_s). \quad (1)$$

The corresponding result for $\mathfrak{M}_0 \cong \mathbb{Z}$ is trivial; and so by Lemma 1, (1) implies that $w(X) \in D(\mathbb{Z}G)$.

Fix $1 \leq s \leq k$. The proof of (1) splits into two cases.

Case 1. Assume first that H acts nontrivially on A_s . In other words, if we identify

$$\mathbb{Q}H \cong \prod_{d \mid m} \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_d), \quad \mathbb{Q}G \cong \prod_{d \mid m} \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_d)[\pi]^t \quad \zeta_d = \exp(2\pi i/d) \quad (2)$$

($H \cong C_m$, $G = H \rtimes \pi$), then A_s is a summand of $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{d(s)})[\pi]^t$ for some $d(s) \neq 1$.

Step 1A. Assume $d(s)$ is not a prime power. If $q_1 q_2 \mid d(s)$, where $q_1 \neq q_2$ are primes, then H_{q_1} and H_{q_2} each act with zero fixed point set on A_s ($\subseteq \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{d(s)})[\pi]^t$). By Lemma 2, $H_*(X; \mathfrak{M}_s) = 0$, and (1) holds.

Step 1B. Now assume $d(s) = q^a$ for some prime q and some $a \geq 1$. Then $A_s^{H_q} = 0$, and so $H_*(X; \mathbb{M}_s)$ is a q -group by Lemma 2. Let $C(H_q) = C_G(H_q)$ denote the centralizer (H_q the q -Sylow subgroup). Then $C(H_q) = H_q \times K$ for some $K \triangleleft G$, and $q \nmid |K|$.

If $A_s^K = 0$, then $H_*(X; \mathbb{M}_s)_{(q)} = 0$ by Lemma 2. But $H_*(X; \mathbb{M}_s)$ is a q -group, and so $H_*(X; \mathbb{M}_s) = 0$.

If $A_s^K \neq 0$, then K fixes A_s ($K \triangleleft G$ and A_s is simple). Referring to (2), this shows that A_s is a summand of $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{q^a})[\pi/\rho]$, where

$$\rho = \pi \cap K = \pi \cap C(H_q) = \text{Ker}[\pi \xrightarrow{\text{conj.}} \text{Aut}(H_q)].$$

Since $\text{Aut}(H_q)$ and $\text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{q^a})/\mathbb{Q})$ have the same p -power torsion, this shows that π/ρ acts effectively on $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{q^a})$. Hence, by [4, Theorem 29.6, 29.8], $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{q^a})[\pi/\rho]'$ is simple, and

$$A_s \cong \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{q^a})[\pi/\rho]'^t \cong M_{|\pi/\rho|}(F) \quad F = \text{Fix}(\pi/\rho, \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_{q^a})).$$

For all i , $H_i(X; \mathbb{M}_s)$ is a q -group, and $[H_i(X; \mathbb{M}_s)] = 0 \in K_0(\mathbb{M}_s)$ by Lemma 3(ii). So (1) is proved in Case 1.

Case 2. Now assume that H fixes A_s . Since $s \geq 1$, by assumption, $A_s^G = 0$; and by Lemma 2, $H_*(X; \mathbb{M}_s)$ is a torsion group, with torsion only at primes dividing $|G|$. Since G/H is a p -group and A_s is a summand of $\mathbb{Q}[G/H]$, $[H_i(X; \mathbb{M}_s)_{(p)}] = 0$ in $K_0(\mathbb{M}_s)$ by Lemma 3.

To prove (1), it remains to show that

$$\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-1)^i [H_i(X; \mathbb{M}_s)_{(q)}] = 0 \in K_0(\mathbb{M}_s) \quad (5)$$

For any prime $q \mid m$ such that $H_*(X; \mathbb{M}_s)_{(q)} \neq 0$. Fix such a q .

Write $K = C(H_q)$ (the centralizer). Then $K = H_q \times K'$, where $K' \triangleleft G$ and $q \nmid |K'|$. Since $H_*(X; \mathbb{M}_s)_{(q)} \neq 0$ by assumption, Lemma 2 implies that $A_s^{K'} \neq 0$. So K' , and hence K , fix A_s . In other words,

$$A_s \text{ is a summand of } \mathbb{Q}[G/K] \quad K = C(H_q) \supseteq H. \quad (6)$$

Step 2A. Since G acts nontrivially on A_s , (6) implies that $H_q \not\subseteq Z(G)$, and so $[\pi, H_q] \neq 1$ ($G = H \rtimes \pi$). Thus, π is a p -group acting nontrivially under conjugation on H_q . In particular,

$$p \mid |\text{Ker}[\text{Aut}(H_q) \twoheadrightarrow \text{Aut}(H_q/[\pi, H_q])]|.$$

Since H_q is a cyclic q -group, this shows that $[\pi, H_q] = H_q$.

By assumption, G acts nilpotently on $H_*(\tilde{X})$. In particular, any subgroup of G of order prime to q acts trivially on $H_*(\tilde{X}; \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_q)$. Since π acts trivially, so does $[\pi, H_q] = H_q$; and hence G acts trivially on $H_*(\tilde{X}; \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_q)$.

Step 2B. Set $p^a = |G/K|$ ($K = C(H_q) \supseteq H$), and $q^b = |H_q|$. Note that G/K is cyclic: $G/K \subseteq \text{Aut}(H_q) \cong (\mathbb{Z}/q^b)^*$. Also, since $K = H_q \times K'$ where $q \nmid |K'|$,

$$H^*(K; \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_q) \cong H^*(H_q; \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_q) \quad \text{and} \quad H_*(K; \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_q) \cong H_*(H_q; \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_q). \quad (7)$$

Consider the action of G/K on $H^*(K; \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_q)$ induced by conjugation. Fix a generator $g \in G/K$. Then g acts on $H^2(K; \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_q) \cong \mathbb{Z}/q^b$ via multiplication by some unique primitive p^a -th root of unity $\zeta \in \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_q^*$ (note that $(\hat{\mathbb{Z}}_q)^*$ and $(\mathbb{Z}/q^b)^*$ have the same p -power torsion).

Any $\hat{\mathbb{Z}}_p[G/K]$ -module M decomposes as a sum

$$M = \bigoplus_{t=0}^{p^a-1} t_M,$$

where for each t ,

$$t_M = \{x \in M : gx = \zeta^t \cdot x\} \subseteq M.$$

For example, by the choice of ζ , for all $0 \leq t < p^a$,

$$t_{H^*(K; \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_q)} = \bigoplus_{i=0}^{\infty} H^{2ip^a+2t}(K; \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_q).$$

(see (7)). Similarly, for any finitely generated $\hat{\mathbb{Z}}_q$ -module M with trivial G -action, and any $1 \leq t \leq p^a - 1$,

$${}^t H_*(K; M) = \bigoplus_{i=1}^{\infty} [H_{2ip^a-2t-1}(K; M) \oplus H_{2ip^a-2t}(K; M)]. \quad (8)$$

The point here is that there are decompositions

$$\hat{\mathbb{Q}}_q[G/K] = \bigoplus_{t=0}^{p^a-1} \hat{\mathbb{Q}}_q^{(t)} \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_q[G/K] = \bigoplus_{t=0}^{p^a-1} \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_q^{(t)}, \quad (9)$$

where for each t , g acts on $\hat{\mathbb{Q}}_q^{(t)}$ and $\hat{\mathbb{Z}}_q^{(t)}$ via multiplication by ζ^t (recall $G/K = \langle g \rangle$). If we regard A_s as a summand of $\mathbb{Q}[G/K]$ (see (6)), then

$$\hat{\mathbb{Q}}_q \otimes A_s = \bigoplus_{t \in T} \hat{\mathbb{Q}}_q^{(t)} \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_q \otimes \mathfrak{M}_s = \bigoplus_{t \in T} \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_q^{(t)}, \quad (10)$$

where (recall $\mathfrak{M}_s^G = 0$):

$$T = \{t : 1 \leq t \leq p^a - 1, {}^t(\hat{\mathbb{Z}}_q \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathfrak{M}_s) \neq 0\}.$$

In particular,

$$\sum_{t \in T} [(\mathbb{Z}/q)^{(t)}] = [\mathfrak{M}_s/q\mathfrak{M}_s] = 0 \in K_0(\mathfrak{M}_s); \quad (11)$$

and for any finite \mathfrak{M}_s -module M of q -power order:

$$[M] = \sum_{t \in T} [{}^t M] = \sum_{t \in T} (\log_q |{}^t M|) \cdot [(\mathbb{Z}/q)^{(t)}] \in K_0(\mathfrak{M}_s). \quad (12)$$

Step 2C. By (9) and (10), as \mathfrak{M}_s -modules,

$$\begin{aligned} H_*(X; \mathfrak{M}_s)_{(q)} &\cong H_*\left(X; \bigoplus_{t \in T} \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_q^{(t)}\right) \cong \bigoplus_{t \in T} {}^t H_*(X; \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_q[G/K]) \\ &\cong \bigoplus_{t \in T} {}^t H_*(\tilde{X}/K; \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_q). \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

We now consider the spectral sequence

$$E_{ij}^2 = H_i[K; H_j(\tilde{X}; \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_q)) \Rightarrow H_*(\tilde{X}/K; \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_q)$$

for the fibration $\tilde{X} \rightarrow \tilde{X}/K \rightarrow BK$ [1, Section XVI.9].

Cap product makes E_{*j}^r , for each $r \geq 2$ and $j \geq 0$, into a module over $H^*(K; \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_q)$; and the differentials in the spectral sequence are all $H^*(K; \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_q)$ -linear. Fix any α generating $H^2(K; \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_q) \cong \mathbb{Z}/q^b$ (see (7)). Since G acts trivially on $H_j(\tilde{X}; \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_q)$ for any $j \geq 0$ (Step 2A), we get using (8) that for any $1 \leq t \leq p^a - 2$,

$$\bigcap \alpha: {}^t E_{*j}^2 = {}^t H_*(K; H_j(\tilde{X}; \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_q)) \rightarrow {}^{t+1} H_*(K; H_j(\tilde{X}; \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_q)) = {}^{t+1} E_{*,j}^2$$

is an isomorphism. Hence, $(\bigcap \alpha)$ sends ${}^t E^r$ isomorphically to ${}^{t+1} E^r$ for all $2 \leq r \leq \infty$; and so

$$\bigcap \alpha: {}^t H_*(\tilde{X}/K; \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_q) \xrightarrow{=} {}^{t+1} H_*(\tilde{X}/K; \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_q) \quad (14)$$

is an isomorphism for all $1 \leq t \leq p^a - 2$.

By (12) and (13),

$$\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-1)^i [H_i(X; \mathcal{M}_s)_{(q)}] = \sum_{t \in T} d_t \cdot [(\mathbb{Z}/q)^{(t)}] \in K_0(\mathcal{M}_s),$$

where for each $t \in T$,

$$d_t = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-1)^i \cdot \log_q |{}^t H_i(X; \mathcal{M}_s)_{(q)}| = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-1)^i \cdot \log_q |{}^t H_*(\tilde{X}/K; \hat{\mathbb{Z}}_q)|.$$

Since the isomorphism in (14) preserves $\mathbb{Z}/2$ -grading, we have $d_t = d_1$ for all $1 \leq t \leq p^a - 1$, and in particular for all $t \in T$. So using (11),

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-1)^i [H_i(X; \mathcal{M}_s)_{(q)}] &= d_1 \cdot \sum_{t \in T} [(\mathbb{Z}/q)^{(t)}] \\ &= d_1 \cdot [\mathcal{M}_s/q\mathcal{M}_s] = 0 \in K_0(\mathcal{M}_s). \end{aligned}$$

This proves (5), and finishes the proof of Case 2. \square

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